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ATTENUATED MEASLES VIRUS

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RESPONSE

In response to the action mailed November 26, 2001, please amend the application as follows:

In the claims:

Please cancel claims 8, 10, 23, 25, and 27 without prejudice.

Please amend claims 1-7, 9, 11-18, 20-22, and 28-30 as follows:

1. (Amended) A method for reducing the number of viable cancer cells in a mammal, comprising administering attenuated measles virus to said mammal under conditions wherein the number of viable cancer cells in said mammal is reduced.

2. (Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein said attenuated measles virus is administered directly to a cancer cell in said mammal.

3. (Amended) The method of claim 2, wherein said cancer cell is part of a tumor.

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